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## WEATHER

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# HE MEANS BUSINESS.

Modern methods of doing business were well exemplified at the hearing in the coal famine case at Chicago last week, when the evidence was put into shape for the President's inspection in about one-half the time it usually takes. This was accomplished by relays of stenographers and a battery of graphophones, the latter being placed in a hotel over the way from the Federal building, and the stenographers sprinting across with loaded notebooks, talking at the rate of 20 words a minute into the receiver, and sprinting back, when through, to gather more notes, while the instrument slowed down a degree or so, repeated the testimony to a relay of typewriters. All this was due to the President's instructions to "rush that evicondition of affairs, with whole broad sections suffering from a shortage of sixty dollars an acre each season. fuel, which not only ministers to the daily household needs of a vast population, but to public utilities and industries as well. It is an emergency action to relieve pressing necessities. And it is characteristic of our strenuous President that he is letting no

# TEDDY'S NEW CATS.

make that relief effective.

precisely what measures to take to

President Roosevelt decides he does not need nor want Lulu Grover's \$2 .-000, but is willing to give her two homeless Angoras a home. This is a wise decision, for Angoras are rare cats, well worth the having. Moreover, cats are usually found useful about a house in destroying vermin. The poet tells us how

"Rats and mice and such small deer, Were poor Tom's food for many a year."

"Poor Tom" evidently referring to a gentleman grimalkin. And besides, lie consumption. Mr. Roosevelt might

# JOY OF LIVING.

of a country editor's life. It says:

that the paper is out I suppose you can take it easy for three or four days," Yes, how delightful it is that a country editor has practically nothing to do between press days. When paper bills come due money drops off the trees with which to pay them. Subscribers vie with each other to see who I began applying Bucklen's Arrica can pay the farthest in advance. Ad- Salve to the sore surface; this caused Life Pills. She has not had an atthe way the news hunts up the edi-istence. 25c at Chas. Rogers, Drug-carth. 25c at Chas Rogers' Drugtor is always so pleasant to contem- gist.

There is something really strange about the way the news items act. When the paper is out, the editor simply goes to his desk and leans back in his easy chair and looks wise and waits for next week's press day. The day before press day people line up in front of the office door and then file past his desk and tell him all the news of the week. He writes it up in ten or fifteen minutes, takes it back and hangs it on the hook. The compositors take the copy, shake it over the type cases, say a few mystie words, the type files into place and after a few passes by the foreman the forms are ready for the press again. And the editor goes down and deposits some more money in the bank. It is the greatest snap in the catalogue. Now if the editor could only do away with press days, his joy would be complete."

# CARE FOR YOUR COW.

We offer a plea for the cow. What could she say in her own behalf. coud she talk? She might, with good on, ask: Why do I have to endure these cold, stormy nights without shelter while you lie in your warm, soft bed? I give you milk, butter, meat and shoes. How can I be expected to do this without shelter and with not enough to eat?" Of all unwise, thoughtless habits, none are worse than leaving stock unsheltered through the winter. You have seen hoge in pens in mud up to their knees without shelter or bed, fed all they wanted -in fact enough to feed double the number-and yet they would not fatten. If sheltered the gain would have been doubled.

# EDITORIAL SALAD.

where shall he turn when all the publie domain between the great lakes and the Pacific is taken up and Uncle Sam's land offices have gone out of business?

It is not generally known that corn smut contains a very violent poison. A number of farmers have learned this by being infected through open sores on their hands and as a consequence are suffering from blood poison.

One-half of the world doesn't care straw how the other half lives, or dies either, for that matter. Supreme selfishness and grasping after the almighty dollar are the motives that rule two-thirds of mankind today.

Alfalfa was almost unknown ten years ago, so far as its cultivation this side of the Rocky Mountains to dence." That there was need for concerned. Thousands of acres of land and in the course of his testimony he prompt action is evident from the in Kansas and other western states swore that he did not write "O. K. D. of this good old year 1906. This will condition of effects with whole broad are today producing crops of it worth D. M." or a letter from Count Port.

The President gets a salary of only \$50,000 a year and when it was proposed to make an annual appropria that demands prompt and vigorous tion of \$25,000 for traveling expenses SUNDAY TRAVEL TO PORTLAND a storm of protest was raised. The New York Commercial says the traveling expenses of Emperor William grass grow under his feet. Knowing cost the German government fully fust how things are, he will know \$500,000 a year.

> Here's a pipe dream for farmers: The Department of Agriculture has found near Cape Town a kind of calabash which farmers are growing, which is an excellent substitute for meerschaum. They grow with a bowl the size of a pipe, to which is a natural pipe stem. The cheapest of these calabash pipes is worth about a dollar at Cape Town, but this is after it has gone through a process of manufacture. It is intended to import the seed and grow our own "meerschaum" pipes as we do our own Havana ci-

cats have been found useful in offices, to lay eggs results in the discovery scheme was to have the support of the editorial and otherwise, in devouring that the egg production of hens decopy not desired by the editors, or re- creases considerably after the age of Jacob Schiff had promised to contribgarded by them as unsuitable for pub- four years. Thus, a hen lays at the age of one year about twenty eggs, feed his 'ou" spelling MSS, to the at the age of two years, about 120 Angoras and spare the public's nerves. eggs; at the age of three years, about to be discussed at present. 135: at the age of four years about 115; at the age of five years, about PUBLIC SPEAKER INTERRUPTED. 80, and at the age of six years about The Marion (Kan.) Record finds just 80. These figures go to show that one thing lacking to complete the joy hens should never be kept in the poultry yard more than four years, for af-Every once in a while some cheerful ter the lapse of this time they do not Coughs and Colds and prevents pnuindividual remarks to us: "Well, now yield a proper return on the food they monia and consumption. The genu consume.-N. Y. Tribune.

# LONG TENNESSEE FIGHTS.

For twenty years W. L. Rawls, of Bells, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till vertisers beg for additional space. And the soreness and swelling to disappear, tack for over two years." Best body

### "UNCLE" JOE CANNON.

"Uncle" Joe Cannon Steady at his post, Nothing to growl about, Nobody to reast, Hears senators talking. Listens all the while, When they get too frisky, Calls them down in style.

Never had the fever, To hunt mountain goat, Thinks more of his cigar, Than of bear-skin coat. Likes to argue 'tariff," And "protection," too, In fact, will talk of anything, To make "free trade" skidoo!

Pleased to see the ladies. In the gallery grand, Likes 'Marching Through Georgia' When played by any band, Will tell a "funny" story, While chatting with the "boys, No use for politicians. Built on plan of puppet-toys.

Goes along serenely, Traveling to the end, Not a thing to vex him, United States his friend. Knows what he is doing. No favorites, high nor low, "Square deal," "fair play," hones man.

Is plain, old Uncle" Joe,

Doesn't need a medal. For anything he's done, Public life is spotless, Bright as mid-day sun. Does his duty fearless. For stars and stripes, will fight Long may he be with us. "Uncle" Joe's all right.

### CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

LUE P. VERNON.

Colonel Mann of Town Topics Fame, Will Receive Judgment.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 .- Colonel M. D. Mann, the editor or Town Topics, who has been on trial for some days before Recorder Goff on the Chicago forgery will know his fate by tomorrow morning. The summing up will take place today and it is expected that the jury will get the decision late to-

The charges against Colonel Mann grew out of the trial of Norman Hapgood, editor of Colliers Weekly, who was charged with criminal libel by Col. Mann. There has been some sensational allegations against Colonel Mann by Mr. Hapgood's paper growing out of the issuance by Town Topics of a book called "Fads and Fancles." Colonel Mann was called as a witness in the case of Mr. Hapgood D. M." on a letter from Count Reginald Ward about Porto Rico Mining Stocks. Testimony contradicting this statement was given at the trial and the arrest of Colonel Mann followed.

Increases and \$2.50 Round Trip Rate via A. & C. R. R. is Popular.

Travel from this city to Portland on Sunday at the low round trip rate of \$2.50 is on the increase and many enjoy that day in the metropolis each week. This rate will be continued throughout the winter and the volume of travel toward Portland every Sunday would indicate that the public appreciates it. 11-8-tf

# COLONIZE RUSSIAN JEWS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The Jewish World of Londan printed recently an announcement of a colonization scheme which included a projected settlement near Galveston, Texas, The plans were to acquire lands for a settlement by Jews who should be brought from Investigation of the capacity of hens Russia and other countries. The Rothschilds, and it was also said that ute \$500,000 if a similar sum were raised. Mr. Schiff sald yesterday that the matter was in too crude a shape

Public speakers are frequently in terrupted by people coughing. This would not happen if Foley's Honey and Tar were taken, as it cures ine contains no oplates and is in a yellow package,

# NEW CURE FOR EPILEPSY.

J. B. Waterman, of Watertown, O. free delivery, writes; daughter, afflicted for years with epi-lepsy, was cured by Dr. King's New

# ON DECEMBER

Astoria Piano Bargain Hunters Will Have Almost Undisputed Sway at Eilers Branch Store, 424 Commercial Street.

# THESE TWO DAYS ONLY

Several buyers are going to have good cause for New Year's rejoicing if saving money and having music in the home will help any.

If Xmas preparations found any intending purchaser too busy to attend to the buying of a plane, now is such a one's opportunity.

The annual stock report goes in from all our many stores January 1, and we enumerate below several planos that are going in as sales, instead of being carried over in stock, if we have half a chance to sell them. It's a case of our sacrificing most of our profit on a few pianos and still being happy about it, if we only can sell them. Of course all of these planes have been used or are shop-worn. What else could you expect at cost price?

Here's the list and actual selling price fresh and new; but these are not strictly new, though not one has been used over eight months.

A \$335 Hobart M. Cable at ..... \$ \$ 1 A \$287 Schumann at..... \$ \$ 1 A \$290 Whitney at ...... \$ \$ ? A \$405 Crown at ..... \$ \$ 1

A \$300 Bailey at ..... \$ \$ 7 No prices are given here because we expect to continue selling them in Astoria and have future business to pro-

If you want a price you must come and get it for without seeing the plane no one can tell whether the price and plane suits or not.

Don't worry or stand back on acing for reliable people to pay us on be our last announcement to the Astoria public this ending year; and we bespeak for every one a most pros perous New Year of three hundred and IFON AND BRASS FOUNDERS some odd days-all happy ones.

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# THE PERFECT WAY.

Scores of Astoria Citizens Learned It.

If you suffer from backache, There's only one way to cure it. The perfect way is to cure the kid-

A bad back means sick kidneys. Neglect it, urinary troubles follow. Doan's Kidney Pills are made for kidneys only.

Mrs. J. W. Painter, of 310 East Seventh street, Portland, Ore., says: "I have not lost any of my faith in Doan's Kidney Pills since I publicly recommended the remedy in February, 1903. As I stated at that time, a severe spell of alckness early in my life left me with weak kidneys, and as time went on I suffered more and more with spells of backache. The pain through the kidneys was torture and often I could not find a comfortable position to lie in. When able to be up and around I was troubled with headaches and dizziness and could not stoop or lift anything. I doctored and used various treatments but nothing seemed to help me any until I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. The use of this remedy was very satisfactory. It gave me so much relief that I cannot hesitate to recommend it, and will put in a good word for Doan's Kidney Pills whenever I find an opportunity."

Plenty more proof like this from Astoria people. Call at Chas. Rogers' drug store and ask what his customers report.

For sale by all dealers, Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name-Doan's-and take no other.

THE CORRECT CLOTHES SHOP

# A WORD WITH YOU--FELLOWS!



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Prices Drastically reduced on all Holiday Goods.

The Store That Never Disappoints.

Astoria's Foremost Clothiers

When a man has made his pile or "his mark," he can violate all the conventional rules of dress with impunity. He can even wear a derby hat with a frock coat-and it will be considered the eccentricity of genius.

But the young chap just entering Life's real arena is badly handicapped if he dresses slouchily, or care-lessly. The attire has indeed much to do with the "making" of the young business man of teday. When a man's "made" he may dress "as he pleases," but ere he reaches that goal he must gater somewhat to what the world of Fashion acknowledges as authorative. A man should be careful of being well drest, neatly manicured, and able to smile out upon the world with brightly brushed teeth as a background for the smile.

"The Secret of Success Lies in Doing Your Work Better Than Anyone Else."-Charles M. Schwab.

And that's the pitch to which our whole business is keyed up-or tuned-better styles, better fit, better values, than are made by anybody, anywhere, here in Astoria, or elsewhere.

The gayest dresser can get here duplicates of the styles that have been adopted by the younger men of the smart set and are unobtainable this year in readymade outside of our store.

And the man of quiet tastes will find a multitude of models with all the little touches of fashion which will please and satisfy him.

In a nutshell: Our clothes are not duplicated in this or any other city, and are as far above the ordinary as Mount Hood rises above Castle Rock. Yet the prices on Suits or Overcoats fall as low as \$15; and rise by pegs marked \$18, \$20, \$22.50, \$25 to \$35, as good as

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